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FOR NUCLEIC ACIDS USING SYNTHETIC  
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 21, 2003, please amend the above-referenced application as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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